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Natural Resource Damage Assessment and Restoration (NRDA)

The Natural Resource Damage Assessment and Restoration identifies and quantifies injuries to natural resources and determines actions or costs to restore the injured resources. Injuries may include death or destruction of natural resources, and the loss of resource availability to the public that can occur when fish and wildlife become too contaminated to eat safely. The parties responsible for contamination and injuries must compensate the public for the losses and help restore the natural resources through funding or direct action. The NRDA seeks to determine ways to restore natural resources (fish, wildlife, land, water, etc.) that have been injured by hazardous substances. In June 2003, a [Joint Restoration Plan](#) was issued to establish restoration goals and priorities for selecting projects.



Joint Trustees' Georgia-Pacific Settlement

A joint proposed settlement has been filed with the Eastern District Court of Wisconsin and is awaiting action of that court. The settlement includes land purchases on the west side of Green Bay.

Intergovernmental Partners Negotiate Agreement with Appleton Papers, Inc. and NCR Corporation on Interim Funding for Lower Fox River Remediation and Restoration Projects

- [Fact Sheet](#) (125Kb PDF File)
- [FINAL Consent Decree](#) (397Kb PDF File)

Progress on Restoration and Implementation

The Fox River/Green Bay Natural Resource Trustee Council is made up of delegates from each of the intergovernmental Trustee partners and has been organized to direct restoration implementation. The Trustees are the State of Wisconsin, the State of Michigan, the Menominee Indian Tribe of Wisconsin, the Oneida Tribe of Indians of Wisconsin, and the United States Departments of the Interior and Commerce, represented by the United States Fish and Wildlife Service. The Trustee Council has decided to meet annually to evaluate restoration progress and to discuss and direct restoration priorities under the Joint Restoration Plan.

Council Meeting Minutes

[February 6, 2003](#)
[June 3, 2003](#)

Restoration Project Status (Maps and Descriptions):[Selected Projects](#)[Proposed Projects](#)[Learn how to Submit a Restoration Project Proposal.](#)**Trustee Members and Web Sites****Council Coordinator**

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